GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:334
ANSWERED ON:23.12.2004
CNG PIPED GAS TO HOUSE HOLDS IN METRO CITIES
Purandeswari Smt. Daggubati

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CNG Gas is cheaper than LPG Gas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the efforts envisaged to supply more CNG piped gas to house-holds in metro cities?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.334 BY SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI, MP TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD DECEMBER, 2004 REGARDING CNG PIPED GAS TO HOUSE-HOLDS IN METRO CITIES.

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The price of Piped Natural Gas (PNG) for domestic households is cheaper than the price of domestic LPG. The details of the relative prices of PNG and LPG in Delhi and Mumbai are as under:

Metro	Domestic PNG Oct. 2004 (Rs./Kg.)	Domestic LPG w.e.f. 5.11.04 (Rs./Kg.)
Delhi	16.45	19.83
Mumbai	16.37	20.55

As on the 1st December, 2004, Piped Natural Gas is supplied to 2,08,543 households in Mumbai by Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL) and 19,356 households in Delhi by Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL).

(c): MGL and IGL are expanding their networks to increase penetration of PNG supplies to the domestic sector. Setting up such projects in other metro cities is dependent on the availability of natural gas, which is a constraint at present in covering the other metros with PNG for domestic households.